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Venkataraman BRINGI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1632  
Serial No.: 09/083,198 ) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
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For: ENHANCED PRODUCTION OF TAXOL AND TAXANES BY CELL  
CULTURES OF *TAXUS* SPECIES

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to the examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned patent application as shown below. A check in the amount of \$154.00, for seven (7) additional claims is enclosed. In the event any variance exists between the amount determined by the Applicants and that determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office,

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05/04/2000 PULSON 00000004-020375 09083198 On page 28, line 25, after "related derivatives and analogs.", please add -Preferred

jasmonate related compounds include alkyl esters of jasmonic acid, where the alkyl group esterified to jasmonic acid has <sup>4</sup> to four carbon atoms.--